

# Skill Sheet 5-I-1

**Objective 21:** Don PPE and SCBA for use at an emergency. (*NFPA® 1001, 5.1.1.2, 5.3.1*)

**Student Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

## Directions

For this skills evaluation checklist, students will don personal protective equipment and SCBA. You should inform students of any time requirements for this skill. The NFPA® requires that protective clothing be donned in one minute. Separately, it also requires the SCBA to be donned in one minute. Prior to donning for time, students should place protective clothing in an accessible location.

The steps given in these skill sheets are general procedures for donning an SCBA. The specific SCBA manufacturer's recommendations for donning and use of the SCBA should always be followed. In addition, some department SOPs only allow seat-mounted SCBA or the facepiece to be donned upon arrival at the scene after the apparatus has stopped. Local procedures must be followed to ensure the safety of the firefighter. Specific steps for donning may vary by department according to local policy.

## Equipment & Materials

- Full protective clothing including SCBA
- SCBA storage case or compartment
- PASS device

**Criteria & Evaluation Comments**

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Criteria (determined by the AHJ)

*After the candidate has completed the skill sheet, write comments below.*

Evaluator/Candidate Comments

Pass

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Fail

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Evaluator Signature

Date

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Student Signature

Date

## Skills Evaluation Checklist

**Objective 21:** Don PPE and SCBA for use at an emergency.

Task Steps		Yes	No
<b>Protective Clothing</b>			
1.	Don pants and boots according to manufacturer's guidelines, which includes suspenders in place.		
2.	Don hood (may be down around the neck).		
3.	Don coat, with closure secure and collar up.		
4.	Don helmet.		
5.	Don gloves.		

Task Steps		Yes	No
<b>SCBA: Over-the-Head Method</b>			
1.	Position the SCBA with the valve end of the cylinder away from the body.		
2.	Open cylinder valve. a. Low pressure alarm sounds b. Valve fully open c. Cylinder at least 90% full		
3.	Check cylinder and regulator pressure gauges. a. Pressure readings within 100 psi OR needles on both pressure gauges indicate same pressure		
4.	Raise the SCBA overhead while guiding elbows into the loops formed by the shoulder straps. a. Grasp both sides of the harness assembly.		
5.	Release the harness assembly and allow the SCBA to slide down the back.		
6.	Fasten chest strap, buckle waist strap, and adjust shoulder straps.		
7.	Don facepiece. a. Check facepiece seal. b. No air leakage		

Task Steps		Yes	No
<b>SCBA: Over-the-Head Method</b>			
8.	Connect air supply to facepiece. a. Take normal breaths.		
9.	Activate PASS device.		
10.	Don hood, helmet and gloves. a. No skin exposed. b. Donning completed within 1 minute		

Task Steps		Yes	No
<b>SCBA: Coat Method</b>			
1.	Position SCBA with the valve end of the cylinder toward the body.		
2.	Open cylinder valve. a. Low pressure alarm sounds b. Valve fully open c. Cylinder at least 90% full		
3.	Check cylinder and regulator pressure gauges. a. Pressure readings within 100 psi OR needles on both pressure gauges indicate same pressure		
4.	Grasp the top of the left shoulder strap on the SCBA with the left hand and raise the SCBA overhead.		
5.	Guide the left elbow through the loop formed by the left shoulder strap. a. Swing SCBA around left shoulder.		
6.	Guide the right arm through the loop formed by the right shoulder strap allowing the SCBA to come to rest in proper position.		
7.	Fasten chest strap, buckle waist strap, and adjust shoulder straps.		
8.	Don facepiece. a. Check facepiece seal. b. No air leakage		
9.	Connect air supply to facepiece. a. Take normal breaths		

Task Steps		Yes	No
SCBA: Coat Method			
10.	Activate PASS device		
11.	Don hood, helmet and gloves. a. No skin exposed b. Donning completed within 1 minute		

Task Steps		Yes	No
SCBA: Seat Mount Method			
1.	Open cylinder valve. a. Low pressure alarm sounds b. Valve fully open c. Cylinder at least 90% full		
2.	Check cylinder and regulator pressure gauges. a. Pressure readings within 100 psi OR needles on both pressure gauges indicate same pressure		
3.	Position body in seat with back firmly against the SCBA. a. Release the SCBA hold-down device.		
4.	Insert arms through shoulder straps.		
5.	Fasten chest strap, buckle waist strap and adjust shoulder straps.		
6.	Fasten seat belt before apparatus gets underway.		
7.	Don facepiece. a. Check facepiece seal. b. No air leakage		
8.	Connect air supply to facepiece. a. Take normal breaths		
9.	Activate PASS device		
10.	Don hood, helmet and gloves. a. No skin exposed b. Donning completed within 1 minute		